

John Stockton's Space

A LITTLE JOURNEY to the UNDERSTANDING of LAYMEN
BY A NON-PROFESSIONAL.



IT IS well known to all men to whom these presents may come (this, I believe, savors somewhat of legal phraseology) that lawyers are good and handy to have around when a man is trying to make trouble for the other fellow.

Lawyers are useful to law-making bodies, and no one will deny the advantage of having a goodly number of good ones in the United States Senate. They keep the laymen (meaning just ordinary folk, innocent of close association with Blackstone) from felonious assault and battery with or without malice aforethought (as the law books say) on the Constitution, made and provided by the Revolutionary Fathers—and they (the lawyers) come out strong on oratory—when the galleries are crowded.

BUT—
We are told, by no less an authority than the New York Evening Post, a real nice and conservative paper, that—

THERE ARE 42 LAWYERS IN THE UNITED STATES SENATE RIGHT NOW—
And that a majority of the forty-two are attorneys for Trusts and Corporations.

It plainly appears from these plain figures that the lawyers have the big bulge on the rest of mankind when it comes to representation in the higher branch of the country's law-making body.

Proportion is not only a good rule to apply in figuring labor and hire, income and outgo, and all other things, but it is THE PARTICULAR rule most particularly applied to representative government.

Leaving the other states to manage things for themselves, we will apply this rule to THIS STATE, and see how we stand—

Florida, according to R. G. Dun & Co., has 9,800 business men. There are probably some that Dun has overlooked, so let's call it ten thousand.

We have in our midst some twelve hundred lawyers belonging to the State Bar Association. There are some who don't belong, and to show a liberal spirit we will put the number of lawyers in Florida at 2,000. 2,000 is 1-5 of 10,000.

So there should be 1-5 as many lawyers as business men in the United States Senate from Florida.

At present there are half as many lawyers as business men representing Florida in the United States Senate.

Thus is the equitable rule of proportion broken or badly bent. Florida is not allowed but two senators, and there should be 14 business men and 3-10 of a lawyer to preserve the law of proportion from violation.

But, the people of Florida are not to be satisfied with 3-10 of a lawyer to serve them in the United States Senate; they demand a whole lawyer, and an extra good one, too. They have him in the person of Duncan U. Fletcher, whose senatorial term runs until 1915.

To save the acutely disproportionate situation at home, and to help cut down the professional preponderance in the Senate—where the lawyers now have nearly fifty per cent of the vote—the people of Florida must act wisely, and with judgment, whetted to keen discrimination by the pending emergency.

True to the professional habit of keeping the legal eye on the main chance, TWO lawyers are now trying to get the seat of ONE business man now in the Senate from Florida.

JOHN N. C. STOCKTON IS NOT ONE OF THESE.

HE IS A CANDIDATE FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR.

HE IS A BUSINESS MAN.

He is qualified to act as the representative of all the people of Florida in the United States Senate.

He knows as much about governmental affairs as either of the two lawyers, who want to increase the legal population of the Senate.

He has been more in touch with the people by means of his 22 years on the firing line of the people's fight for their rights than either one or both of his opponents.

Now, this cause coming on to be heard, and evidence submitted, and briefs presented, and arguments listened to, and the law of proportion considered—judgment is hereby given that this shall be the slogan for this campaign—

LET'S PUT STOCKTON IN THIS TIME."

Done and ordered by popular uprising in open convocation this present time.

The People's Will, JUDGE.

Edward Stokes.

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OIL TRUST AGAIN WINS BIG VICTORY

Trial at Jackson, Tenn., Results in an Acquittal.

IMPORTANT CASE SETTLED

Efforts of the United States to Have Assessed Against Oil Company Penalties of \$30,000,000 Have Proven Futile.

In a ruling which required just twenty minutes to read, Judge John E. McCall, in the United States circuit court at Jackson, Tenn., wrote finis to the efforts of the government to have assessed against the Standard Oil Company of Indiana penalties aggregating \$30,000,000. The rulings of the court, instructing that a verdict of not guilty be returned, came with the conclusion of the case in chief of the prosecution, and in substance holds with the contentions of the defense, that after four years the United States had failed to build its structure of evidence other than on sand.

The suit at issue was probably the most important litigation against the greater corporations ever fought out in the south.

The Elkins law, regarding interstate commerce, was violated, it was alleged, through "scheme and device" the specific offense charged being the receiving of freight rate concessions.

POISON IN COFFEE.

Drug Placed in Drink Believed to Have Caused Death of Two.

William Sprayberry, aged 90 years, one of the richest planters of De Kalb county, Ga., and his wife, Mary Sprayberry, aged 85 years, are dead from the effects, it is believed, of drinking poisoned coffee. Three servants employed on the plantation are dangerously near death from drinking the coffee.

The Sprayberry plantation is located on the Flat Shoals road, one and a half miles from the Cedar Grove church. It is said to be one of the largest plantations in the county and is modernly equipped in every respect.

It is believed of neighbors that William Sprayberry, in a fit of temporary insanity, placed the drug in the coffee. Dr. B. M. Sprayberry, a nephew of the dead couple, stated that he had believed William Sprayberry to be insane for the past ten years. He believes Mr. and Mrs. Sprayberry died from the effects of arsenic or rough on rate placed in the coffee.

Grieving over the death of her mother, who died when she was only six years old, Harriet Owens, ten years old, ended her life with her father's revolver at Philadelphia. Her body was discovered lying beside a preserved wreath, which had been taken from the coffin of her mother. Lying nearby was a childish scrawl which read: "Good-by, papa. I am going to join mother, and hope that God will forgive me."

COSTLY CUP OF TEA.

One Thousand Dollars Paid for Same at Charity Bazaar.

One thousand dollars was paid for a cup of tea in Chicago.

The mark was set at the Charity bazaar at Orchestra hall, the proceeds of which, \$10,000 at a rough estimate, will be for the Home for Destitute Crippled Children.

Thomas Griffin, wealthy manufacturer, stepped into the tea room conducted by Mrs. Francis Turpin, Junction City, Ore., on recommendation of Attorney General A. B. Anderson. This was brought to a close the final chapter in one of the most celebrated cases known to the annals of the courts of Tennessee.

In striking contrast to the scenes marking the first trial of this case, when the court room was packed almost to suffocation by those eager to hear every word of the evidence, there were only a few persons present. Counsel were probably the only persons there particularly on account of this case.

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Believing that thousands of acres of public interest in California have been improperly acquired by railroads, corporations and individuals, Attorney General Wickersham, it was learned at Washington, was instructed by President Taft shortly before he left for Panama to conduct a searching inquiry into the case. Specifically, the department of justice wishes to ascertain whether 6,000 acres of oil lands were patented by the Southern Pacific Railroad Company several years ago with a knowledge on the part of certain government agents that the lands contained oil. The fact, it is said, has caused President Taft, Attorney General Wickersham and Secretary Ballinger to regard with suspicion the number of entries that have been made in the oil lands of California by individuals.

Pensions for all employees of national banks and protection for their families in case of death has been proposed to the treasury department by several representatives of the companies, headed by W. C. Beers, of New York, had a lengthy conference at Washington with the comptroller of the currency as to the legality of the plan. Their proposal is to have the treasury department interpret the national bank law to permit the banks to take out a special form of policy for employees.

A London dispatch says that Lieut. Stegried Holm, the German army officer, who was arrested, charged with having made sketches of the fortifications of Portsmouth harbor, pleaded guilty and was placed under bonds of \$1,250 not to repeat the offense.

AVIATOR MEETS DEATH.

Ralph Johnstone Gambled With Death Once Too Often.

With one wing up of his machine crumpled like a piece of paper, Ralph Johnstone, the daring young aviator, holder of the world's altitude record, dropped like a plummet from a height of 500 feet into the inclosure at Overland park aviation field at Denver, Colo., Thursday afternoon and was instantly killed. When spectators reached him his body lay beneath the engine of the biplane, with the white planes that had failed him in his time of need wrapped about it like a shroud. Nearly every bone in his body was broken.

He had gambled with death once too often, but he played the game to the end, fighting coolly and grimly to the last second to regain control of his broken machine. Fresh from his triumphs at Belmont park, where he had broken the world's record for altitude with a height of 9,174 feet, Johnstone attempted to give the thousands of spectators an extra thrill with his most daring feat, the spiral glide, which has made the Wright aviators famous. The spectators got their thrill.

The fatal flight was the second Johnstone had made during the afternoon.

The prices of beef and pork are falling, says a dispatch from Chicago. Within the last week the price of beef has been reduced between 4 and 5 cents a pound by the meat packers. The price of pork has declined about 3 cents from the price of 18 and 20 cents a week ago, and wholesale meat dealers say that muton, veal and other products of the packing houses will take a downward turn within the next few days.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets do not sicken or gripe, and may be taken with perfect safety by the most delicate woman or the youngest child. The old and feeble will also find them a most suitable remedy for aiding and strengthening their weakened digestion and for regulating the bowels. For sale by all dealers.

ROBIN COOPER ACQUITTED.

Final Chapter in Celebrated Case in Tennessee Courts.

Robin J. Cooper, charged with the murder of Senator Edward Ward Carmack, was given a verdict of not guilty in the criminal court at Nashville, Tenn., on recommendation of Attorney General A. B. Anderson. This was brought to a close the final chapter in one of the most celebrated cases known to the annals of the courts of Tennessee.

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W. O. BRADLEY.

United States Senator From Kentucky Seriously Ill.



GREAT BALLOON VOYAGE.

Flight Across American Continent is Now Proposed by Aeronauts.

A balloon flight from the Pacific coast to the Atlantic coast, as proposed by the International Association of Aeronautical Pilots at its annual meeting in Boston a few weeks ago, will be attempted next year, as the result of an offer made by A. Chester Thompson, of New York, to give \$10,000 to finance the trip, besides a property valued at \$1,000.

The offer from Mr. Thompson was received today by Charles J. Glidden, president of the association, and was immediately accepted.

H. Helm Clayton, who was aid in the balloon Pommeroy, which won the international balloon race of 1908, will be the pilot for the coast-to-coast trip, and is confident that the trip can be made in four days.

A rubber-silk hydrogen balloon of from 180,000 to 200,000 cubic feet capacity will be immediately ordered. Mr. Thompson makes no condition as to the trip other than that the start shall be made at some place on the Pacific coast and the landing within 50 miles of the Atlantic coast.

Robert Sinex, a civil war veteran, who died at his home at Hazelton, Pa., Thursday, was among those who witnessed the assassination of President Lincoln and took part in the capture of J. Wilkes Booth. Sinex was a secret service agent of the government at the time.

Myron Crippen, the aged father of Dr. H. H. Crippen, who is under death sentence in England for the murder of his wife Belle Elmore, died at Los Angeles, Cal.

Miss Eliza Woodall, aged 90 years, was found dead in her bed at her home in Muscogee county, Ga. Death was due to natural causes.

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FOREIGN The foreign warships at NEWS Anapala, Honduras, land NOTES ed forces at the port to protect foreign citizens in anticipation of an uprising against General Jose Valadarez. There were no disturbances, however, and the forces were withdrawn. This information was contained in a cable message received by the navy department from Commander Anderson, of the United States gunboat Yorktown. British, German and American war vessels are at Anapala.

The third session of the eleventh parliament of Canada opened at Ottawa with the usual picturesque ceremonies. The speech from the throne, delivered by Earl Grey, expressed gratification over the settlement of the fisheries dispute and confidence in a satisfactory outcome of the tariff negotiations between the United States and Canada.

Morocco has agreed to pay Spain \$13,000,000 indemnity as demanded by the latter government following the successful Spanish campaign against the Riff tribesmen in the summer of 1909.

Solicitor Newton has secured several thousand signatures to a petition for a reprieve for his client, Dr. Hawley H. Crippen, sentenced to die in London for the murder of his wife, the actress, Belle Elmore. It is probable the petition will be presented to Home Secretary Churchill.

The visit of the American war ships to England is exciting the liveliest interest in England. It is expected that London will be filled with American sailors during the next few weeks and arrangements have been made to entertain the thousands of blue jackets who will go there from Portland and Gravesend.

A revolutionary movement with ramifications throughout at least 12 states of the republic has just been nipped in the bud through the vigilance of federal authorities, says a dispatch from Mexico City.

Prof. William Morris Davis, the geologist of Harvard University, has been elected a member of the Berlin Academy of Sciences.

"I am pleased to recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as the best thing I know of and safest remedy for coughs, colds and bronchial trouble," writes Mrs. L. B. Arnold of Denver, Colo. "We have used it repeatedly and it has never failed to give relief." For sale by all dealers.

The annual convention of the National Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, opened at Atlantic City. Among the executive matters that will come up for consideration will be federal aid for highway improvement, the parcels post and a more stringent enforcement of the oleomargarine laws.

The comptroller of the currency has issued a call for statements of the condition of all national banks at the close of business Thursday, November 10.

In an automobile, which had drawn up in front of the Dougherty county courthouse at Albany, Ga., and with the officiating minister's Bible resting on the mud guard, A. F. Gore and Miss Ruby Hendry, of Shelman, were married Thursday. The groom is well along in his fifties; the bride is just a little more than twenty years. The bride and groom slipped out of Shelman during the forenoon in Mr. Gore's big touring car, and are said to have smashed the records on the way to Albany.

The Portsmouth, Va., grand jury has returned true bill indictments against six judges of election in the Democratic congressional primary of August 23 for alleged voting of dead and absent people in the Second and Fifth wards of the city. The Portsmouth defendants will at once raise questions of demurrer similar to those pending in Norfolk, with the hope of a dismissal of the whole proceedings upon unconstitutionality of statute.

There is little danger from a cold or from an attack of the grip except when followed by pneumonia, and this never happens when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is used. This remedy has won its great reputation and extensive sale by its remarkable cures of colds and grip and can be relied upon with implicit confidence. For sale by all dealers.



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